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SUBJECT: VISIT OF FEDERAL RESERVE BANK EXAMINERS TO

BELGIUM, FALL, 1974

REF: BRUSSELS 6513

1. APPOINTMENTS AT EARLIEST POSSIBLE HOUR ON SEPTEMBER 16 DESIRED. EXAMINERS ARRIVING BRUSSELS PRIOR WEEK-END TO BEGIN EXAMINATION OF BRANCH OF CHEMICAL BANK ON SEPTEMBER 16, SIMULTANEOUSLY WITH EXAMINATIONS OF OTHER EUROPEAN BRANCHES OF CHEMICAL. EXAMINATIONS ARE ROUTINE AND CONDUCTED ON SURPRISE BASIS. OPENING DATE SHOULD BE TREATED AS CONFIDENTIAL.

2. CONTROL OF ESSENTIAL RECORDS OF BRANCH AT OPENING

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HOUR ON SEPTEMBER 16 WOULD CONTRIBUTE TO EFFECTIVENESS OF EXAMINATION. WOULD BELGIAN BANKING COMMISSION PERMIT

ENTRY OF BRANCH AT OPENING HOUR BY TWO ASSISTING EXAMINERS
SOLELY TO EFFECT SUCH CONTROL? NO WORK ON THE RECORDS
WOULD BE DONE UNTIL THE MEN IN CHARGE ARRIVE AT THE
BRANCH AFTER THE BRIEFING.

3. PLEASE ADVISE TIME AND PLACE FOR INITIAL CALL AT
BANKING COMMISSION. EXAMINERS WILL ARRANGE FOR PRE-EXIT
VISIT AS SOON AS CLOSING DATE FOR EXAMINATION CAN BE
FORECAST. SHOULD THESE ARRANGEMENTS BE MADE THROUGH

EMBASSY OR DIRECTLY WITH BELGIAN AUTHORITIES?

4. REPORT ON RESULTS OF THE EXAMINATION WILL BE FURNISHED
BELGIAN BANKING COMMISSION AT EARLIEST POSSIBLE DATE
AFTER COMPLETION.

5. NAMES OF EXAMINERS IN CHARGE ARE ALBERT RUBBO FOR
FEDERAL RESERVE AND EDWARD CANNON FOR NEW YORK STATE
BANKING DEPARTMENT. ASSISTING EXAMINERS ARE RAYMOND
CAPPULLA AND HARRY COX.

6. PLEASE CAPTION YOUR RESPONSE "PASS TO FEDERAL
RESERVE, MR. F. R. DAHL, FOREIGN BANKING SECTION." KISSINGER

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